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Agenda

Friday, June 30, 2017

12:00 - 12:30	sPHENIX collaboration news 30' Speakers: Dr. David Morrison (BNL), Prof. Gunther Roland (MIT)
12:30 - 12:40	Juniors' EC election 10' Speaker: Megan Connors (Georgia State University RBRC)
12:40 - 13:10	sPHENIX Project Update 30' Speaker: Edward O'Brien (BNL)
13:10 - 13:40	Open HF mesons 30' Speaker: Dr. Xin Dong (Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory)

New collaborators

- IB vote on CCNU, Purdue, Saclay membership ended last Friday
- All three institutions admitted to sPHENIX!
- Now identifying IB members, collaborators

sPHENIX author list

- Please check author list prepared for QM NPA volume
 - IB members! But x-check by each collaborator can't hurt
 - Send corrections to Dave and/or Gunther
 - Find copy of sPHENIX phone book on our website: https://www.sphenix.bnl.gov/pnb/client/ or as .pdf: https://www.dropbox.com/s/9I79q63gqfbhd1I/ sphenix-phonebook-1498677218.pdf?dl=0

Upcoming events

- July 11-12: MVTX Director's review @ BNL
- August 2-4: sPHENIX Director's review @ BNL
- Fall DNP meeting
- [November 7-9: DOE CD-1 review]
 - not cancelled yet

Upcoming sPHENIX notes

- Expect to send HF notes for collaboration review today
 - 1 week review period; material to be shown at MVTX Director's review
- Expected soon
 - Tracking performance note
 - Jet performance note
 - sPHENIX CDR

sPHENIX and DOE NP medium energy program

- Discussion at collaboration meeting, followed by reports that ME program manager disallowed use of new ME funding for sPHENIX
- Puzzling strategic move, as sPHENIX seen as key step towards eRHIC
- co-SP discussed with ALD, who discussed with Tim Hallman
- Upshot: We need to educate DOE NP (AD and ME PM) on the importance of ME/spin physics program with sPHENIX MIE configuration (+MVTX)
- Asked to produce short document (O(15) pages?)
 - Focus on physics with central detector
 - Brief discussion of physics with central detector + forward upgrade
 - Brief discussion of connection to EIC (focus on physics, rather than detector re-use)

sPHENIX and DOE NP medium energy program

- Time is of the essence
 - First thought by ALD was to have a few page document by late next week...
- Discuss after this presentation
- · Homework for cold QCD group, yet again
- Need to put best physics case forward many of the world's experts are members of the collaboration!

August Director's review and MIE budget

- Cost range for MIE set at \$29-35M
 - Constrained by cashflow, but also set in CD-0 documents
 - ALD guidance: "bring the estimated cost down into the \$32M range"
 - Currently standing at ~\$37M
- Need to present plausible (if not final) scenarios at Director's review

August Director's review and MIE budget

- More from Ed, followed by discussion; Some basic thoughts:
 - Due to the large fraction of MIE cost in HCAL, solution needs to involve changes to iHCAL and/or oHCAL construction
 - optimal solution: international contribution (IHEP)
 - Staging of EMCAL: Physics vs practicality
- We have not been asked to produced a written document, but:
 - need a plausible scenario
 - clearly project and collaboration need to be on the same page